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Ike's Son Sees Nixon 'Complicity'

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 19—President Eisenhower's only son said in an interview published here today that former President Nixon was guilty of complicity in the Watergate scandal.

"I don't believe he was an innocent man hounded out of office by a vitriolic press," said John Eisenhower, 52, whose son, David, is married to Nixon's daughter Julie.

He told the Philadelphia Bulletin, "I do feel that if he had been popular with the media and with the intellectual community he would have been treated with more charity, but I don't subscribe to all those cliches of the last ditch party line about his innocence and persecution."

Eisenhower said he felt Nixon acknowledged his guilt by accepting President Ford's full and unconditional pardon.

"He has admitted his own complicity—at least I feel he did—in accepting the pardon and in his statement," said eisenhower.